GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF PESTICIDES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pesticides are exported;

(b) if so, the amount of foreign exchange earned during each of the last three years;

(c) whether small pesticides manufacturing units are facing closure due to excise duty factor;

(d) if so, the number of small units which have been closed down so far;

(e) whether the multinational companies are tightening their grip on this industry; and

(f) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to save these small industries?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the last three financial years, the export earnings, as per DGCI&S statistics are as follows:

(In Crores).

(1996-97)	(1997-98) (April`98 - Feb`99)	(1998-99)
701.7	691.7	764.9

(c) The Government does not have any information to suggest this.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Government has no information to suggest this trend.

(f) Does not arise.